



## Press information

# Volvo launches the world's largest bus

**Volvo today launches the world's largest bus chassis at the FetransRio exhibition in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Volvo is a leading supplier of buses for high passenger capacity transport systems, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). The new biarticulated chassis, Gran Artic 300, is 30 meter and can carry up to 300 passengers.**

“We are leaders in vehicles for high-capacity transportation systems, Bus Rapid Transit, and now we introduce the world's largest bus chassis. This vehicle will provide more efficient transportation systems, offering a higher quality for the passengers and improved cost efficiency for the transport operators”, said Fabiano Todeschini, head of Volvo Bus Latin America.

The new Gran Artic 300 has been developed in Brazil especially for BRT systems – high demand transportation systems where buses run on dedicated lanes. The bus will be able to carry up to 30 passengers more than the preceding model. One biarticulated bus of the model replaces three standard vehicles.

At the FetransRio exhibition, Volvo also unveils a new 22 m articulated chassis, Super Artic 210. In addition to the higher transportation capacity, 210 passengers, it is equipped with five doors. The extra door facilitates boarding and alighting and also enables a better passenger distribution inside the bus. The vehicle is built on only three axles.

The high-capacity buses reduce the number of vehicles operating in the bus corridors, leading to an increased average speed of the system as well as reduced emissions.

Volvo is a pioneer in the development of vehicles for BRT systems and recognized as the market leader. The company has delivered more than 4,000 buses to the BRT-systems of Curitiba, Bogotá, Guatemala City, Mexico City, Santiago de Chile and San Salvador.

“We are proud to say that the world's largest bus is a Volvo and that it was developed in Brazil”, said Idam Stival, Sales engineering coordinator, Volvo Bus Latin America.



Volvo's bus range for high-capacity urban transportation systems:

<b>Chassis model:</b>	<b>Length:</b>	<b>Passenger capacity:</b>
Artic 150	18.6 m	150
Artic 180	21 m	180
Super Artic 210	22 m	210
Gran Artic 300	30 m	300

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